

St Joseph's Catholic Church



1 Montem Road, New Malden, Surrey KT3 3QW Sunday 9th December 2018

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES

(Sat.) 6.00pm Vigil Mass 9.30am Mass

11.30am Solemn Mass

5.30pm Mass

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 10th 7 & 10am Mass Advent Feria

Tuesday 11th 7 & 10am Mass Advent Feria, or St Damasus I, Pope

Wednesday 12th 10am Mass Advent Feria, or Our Lady of Guadalupe

Thursday 13th 7 & 10am Mass St Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

Friday 14th 7 & 10am Mass St John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church

Saturday 15th 10am Mass Advent Feria or Our Lady

OTHER SERVICES

Rosary: Monday- Saturday after the 10am Mass (except Thur) Eucharistic Adoration: Thursdays from 10am Mass, all day, until 9pm.

CONFESSIONS

Thursday 6.30 - 7.30pm; Saturdays 10.30 - 11.30 & 5.15 - 5.45.

READINGS AT MASS

Sundays Year C; Weekdays cycle 2

This Sun: Baruch 5:1-9;

Philippians 1:4-6,8-11; Luke 3:1-6 **M.** Isaiah 35:1-10; Luke 5:17-26

T. Isaiah 40:1-11; Matthew 18:12-14

W. Isaiah 40:25-31; Matthew 11:28-30

Th. Isaiah 41:13-20; Matthew 11:11-15

F. Isaiah 48:17-19; Matthew 11:16-19

S. Ecclesiasticus 48:1-4,9-12;

Matthew 17:9-13

Next Sun: Zephaniah 3:14-18; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:10-18

Third Sunday of Advent (Yr C)

ROTAS Team 2 today 9th December; Team 3 next Sunday 16th December

COLLECTIONSlast weekend:Gift Aid Standing Orders£ 1,217+Gift Aid weekly envelopes£ 610+Cash £775 = Parish total£ 2,602Queen of Apostles School£ 203.01

THE INTERNATIONAL LIBERTY ASSOCIATION are

here this weekend to invite you to sign their petition against **Christian persecution in Iran.**

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT ~ BIBLE SUNDAY

OUR ADVENT CHARITY FOR 2018

This year's Christmas Fayre proceeds will be going to a very poor school in a small village in Nigeria - **Queen of Apostles Nursery, Primary and Secondary Technical School**, which Fr Uche had the opportunity to visit when he was in Nigeria last January. He was horrified to see the state of the building and the dire conditions the poor students have to endure. The building works necessary to turn this into a viable place of study is estimated at around £2,500, which we hope to achieve during Advent with everybody's help.

We are also having 2nd collections the 4 weekends of Advent to help raise this sum. Please also consider sponsoring a child during their studies: £25 a year for a Nursery/Primary pupil; £50 per year for a Secondary School student. Send or give cash or a cheque payable to 'St Joseph's Catholic Church'. We will then keep a list of sponsors, who will get a yearly reminder at this time of year for the next year's sponsorship. Fr Uche will then take the money raised to the school every January. Please be generous!

POST 9.30 MASS REFRESHMENTS - Last session this year is **TODAY Sunday 9th December.** The current team are in desperate need of more volunteers when they're back in the New Year. Please do consider joining - it's a wonderful way of meeting people and of spreading the joy!

ST JOSEPH'S YOUTH CLUB for all young people in Years 7+. Last session for this term is **TODAY Sunday 9th** after 5.30pm Mass in our Parish Hall.

ADVENT RETREAT - 'Come back to me with all your heart'. Reflections in front of the Blessed Sacrament, with Confessions. **THIS Thursday** 13th @ 7pm.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK: Sun. (Sat) 6pm Betty Booth RIP, 9.30 Michael McCann RIP, 11.30 In Loving memory of Tony Matters, 5.30 People of the Parish; Mon. 7. Sr Marie Browne, 10. Alison Jane Stark RIP; Tue. 7. Therese Hoey RIP, 10. Arthur & Alice Astridge RIP; Wed. 10. Vincent Patton RIP; Thurs. 7. Holy Souls, 10. Peggy Wright RIP; Fri. 7. Gertrude Arbuckle RIP, 10. William McNamee - Wellbeing; Sat. 10. Ann Collins RIP; Next Sun. (Sat) 6pm Eddie Boyd RIP, 9.30 People of the Parish, 11.30 Mrs Carol Fussey RIP, 5.30 Manoel Leite Da Silva RIP.

SHRINE LAMPS: Sacred Heart: Lawrence Keddy - Wellbeing; St Joseph: Roberts' Family Intentions; Our Lady: Peggy Wright RIP (both Lamps) St Therese / St John Fisher: Isabella Keddy - Wellbeing; St Pius X: Patsy Chan-Health St Thomas More / St Anthony: Brenda Corrie's Wellbeing;

CHRISTMAS MASSES: HELP NEEDED FOR WELCOMING, COLLECTING AND STEWARDING!

Our Christmas services are always very full, so our regular welcomers need a lot of help to make sure that everyone gets a smile, a book and a seat, plus the chance to contribute to the Christmas collection for our clergy of our Parish. None of this happens by magic, but by the grace of God and willing hands.

If you could help, please email Katharine Cook at philipcook1@waitrose.com or give your name and phone or email to a welcomer. We already have a few volunteers for the 5.30 Vigil Mass but we need many more for Midnight and the 9.30 & 11.30 am Masses.

St Joseph's Presbytery & Parish Office

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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

UCM CAROL SERVICE - Tuesday 11th December in our Parish Hall. Everyone is invited to join us for this very popular annual event. We invite our fellow Parishioners to arrive at **7.45pm for an 8pm.start**, and to join us for light refreshments afterwards.

SUNDAY 16th, 3rd Sun of Advent is Gaudete (Joy) Sunday, when you're all invited to bring the Baby Jesus from your Family Crib for the Blessing of Bambini at all Masses next weekend. Please come up to the front of the church when instructed.

PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH - Sunday 16th December @ 1pm. Please sign up on the list in the narthex and pre-pay via the Parish office by tomorrow Monday 10th December.

A GIFT FOR CHRISTMAS - Buy an extra gift and bring it to Mass by NEXT weekend, 15/16 December, 3rd Sunday of Advent, for children who have been saved from abortion via the Good Counsel Network, and others in the care of the Westminster Catholic Children's Society. Attach a label to your wrapped gift, indicating age and gender, and leave them at the Pastoral Centre's drop-off point. Your generosity, as in previous years, is greatly valued by these needy ones.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS IN OUR BOOKSHOP - Please visit and browse for all for your Advent goods & Christmas cards, cribs, Religious Art Calendars, etc.

ALTAR SERVERS' CHRISTMAS OUTING - is on Saturday 22nd December at Nando's for all Altar Servers, young and not so young! Meet in church at 12noon. Please sign up in the Servers' Sacristy if you haven't already done so.

WEDDINGS: Please make sure you give us at least 6 months' notice when applying to get married in a Catholic Church.

BAPTISMS: Usually these take place on the 1st Saturday of the month, but other dates can be agreed should there be the need. Please ring the Parish Office for enquiries.

REQUESTING A MASS INTENTION: If you know the date you would like a Mass Intention for, please request it as far ahead as possible, and we will endeavour to accommodate the date asked for. If an urgent need for prayer arises, we will do our best to shift an existing Intention, with the agreement of the donor of course.

MASS INTENTIONS & SHRINE LAMP INTENTIONS: envelopes are available at the back of church. Please return via the Presbytery letter box or hand to one of the clergy.

WEBSITE: If your parish group's details need mentioning / updating on our website please email the webmaster at: patheery@hotmail.com

BILLINGS NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING: for confidential time with our Parish's Natural Family Planning advisers, who are also involved in our Marriage Preparation Programmes, please ring Dymphna on 07775 163693 for an appointment.

SVP (**ST VINCENT DE PAUL**): Our Parish SVP can now be additionally contacted at: <u>SVPNewMalden@gmail.com</u>. Please get in touch if you or anyone you know needs practical or spiritual help, giving both your details and those of the person/s concerned.

CANDLES IN CHURCH: Please <u>NEVER</u> leave lighted candles in church - **these are a fire hazard!** You can light only Votive Candles provided at the Shrines & for Adoration.

PLEASE MAKE SURE CHILDREN ARE SUPERVISED when in church. Please do not let them wander about unattended as it is disrespectful and possibly dangerous as there are always lighted candles in church.

FOR APPOINTMENTS, please ring the Parish Office during office

INTRODUCTION TO THE CRAFT

OF CATECHESIS - You may have seen the item in last week's bulletin re our 'Introduction to the Craft of Catechesis' due to take place Saturday 19th January 2019.

The link below will give you all the information on the course, which will follow this introduction session on the 19th: https://www.ccftootingbec.org.uk/dcc/

All existing and prospective Parish Catechists are strongly encouraged to at least come to the Intro Session on the 19th Jan, and hopefully many of you will make the decision to continue with the course.

UPDATE ON HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE 2019

NB. PLEASE NOTE NEW DATES:

Tues 5 November - Tues 12 November

Package Price: £1490 per person based on 2 people sharing. Single Rooms £342 pp / Travel Insurance £67 pp Price based on minimum 20 passengers. Package includes: Half board accommodation Jerusalem, Bethlehem & Tiberias. Full services of English speaking guide and coaches as necessary. Entrance fees to all places of interest, porterage at hotels, tips driver, courier and restaurants. Headsets and a bottle of water per day for each passenger. Forms are now ready to pick up from the Parish Office.

NEW MALDEN PASSION PLAY 2019

Script read throughs date set for Sat 12th Jan 2019 at 3pm at New Malden United Reformed Church. For more info Email: info@nmpassionplay.com.

FROM OUR DIRECTOR OF MUSIC, PETER MORRELL:

Sound Foundations Music - www.soundfoundationsmusic.co.uk

Get one-to-one Music lessons at your house, with a motivational teacher who believes in you! Singing, piano and theory lessons, welcoming children and adults of all abilities. Contact Peter Morrell at: peter@soundfoundationsmusic.co.uk.

PARISHIONER SEEKING ACCOMMODATION

Single mum with one child is looking for rental accommodation - 1 or 2 bedrooms needed. Please contact the parish office if you can help.

KIT ADSHEAD, an ex-parishioner, passed away recently. Her Funeral is at St Pius on Friday 14th December @ 10am.